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SUBJECT: ROC - CANADIAN URANIUM SUPPLY

FOR OES/HOYLE FROM EMBASSY SCIENCE COUNSELOR

REF: DEPT 101698, TAIPEI 2484

1. PER INSTRUCTIONS IN DEPARTMENT REFTEL EMBASSY SCI COUNS CONTACTED LE BERGE/EXTAFF REGARDING EARLY CONSULTATION SO NOT ONLY ROC-CANADAIN URANIUM SUPPLY QUESTION BUT WHOLE RANGE OF FORSEEABLE ROC SAFEGUARDS AND SUPPLY QUESTIONS. EXTAFF COMPLETELY AGREES THAT PROMPT CONSULTATIONS ARE IN ORDER. GOC POSITION VIS-A-VIS URANIUM SUPPLY IS BEING COMPLICATED BY ITS DEADLINE ON SUPPLY CONTRACTS BEING COVERED BY COMPREHENSIVE SAFEGUARDS. COMPLICATION ARISES FROM THE FACT THAT GOC RECOGNIZES THAT TAIWAN MUST BE CONSIDERED SPECIAL CASE FOR CANADA, THAT THERE IS DANGER IN PUSHING ROC OFFICIALS TOO HARD, AND YET GOC MUST NOT APPEAR TO BE MAKING EXCEPTIONS, ESPECIALLY IN CURRENT OTTAWA POLITICAL ATMOSPHERE RELATING TO NUCLEAR MATTERS.

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2. EXTAFF GRATEFUL FOR OFFER TO MEET IN EITHER OTTAWA

OR WASHINGTON AND SUGGESTS OTTAWA. FYI, AS SOON AS
INDIAN AND PAKASTANI AGREEMENTS SETTLED EXTAFF HOPES TO
RETURN TO ALTERNATING MEETING SITES AS PRESSURE ON
SAFEGUARDS STAFF SHOULD THEN EASE UP SOMEWHAT.

3. EXTAFF PLANS TO INFORM EMBASSY EARLY IN WEEK OF MAY 1
OF SUGGESTED DATE. SINCE ROMANIANS MAY HAVE COMPLETED THEIR
CANADIAN VISIT BY MAY 12 THEY MAY SUGGEST LAST OF THAT WEEK
OR EARLY WEEK OF MAY 17 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY TO
CONSULT ON BOTH ROC AND ROMANIAN PROBLEMS.
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